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KAWAWANG GMA, DI NAPURI!

UNITED NATIONS—US President George W. Bush had nothing but praise for the new, Filipino-American executive chef of the White House when he ran into President Macapagal-Arroyo outside the UN

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**Fil-Am pedophile ordered to pay RP teenage victims**

LOS ANGELES—A US FEDERAL JUDGE ON Tuesday ordered a convicted pedophile to pay restitution to his teenage victims in the Philippines, marking the first award of its kind in a child sex tourism case.

US District Judge R. Gary Klausner ordered Edilberto Datan, 61, of San Diego to pay $16,475 to eight boys he sexually abused dur-

FIL-AM/ A18

# 'Extradition for 3 execs in spy case'

## DOJ awaits arrest warrants in US



PRESIDENT Macapagal-Arroyo confers with Speaker Jose de Venecia at the Asean-UN Summit, where she called for collective action among Asean nations and their trading partners in easing the impact of high oil prices. EDWIN BACASMAS

By Armand N. Nocum and TJ Burgonio *in Manila* and Gil Cabacungan Jr. *in New York*

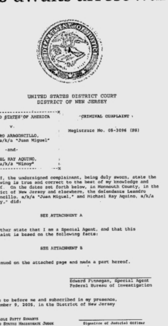
THE PHILIPPINE GOVERNMENT will readily turn over to US authorities three Filipino politicians implicated in the alleged espionage activities of former police Senior Supt. Michael Ray Aquino in the United States, Justice Secretary Raul Gonzalez said yesterday.

Aquino, a close associate of Sen. Panfilo Lacson, was charged Monday with espionage by the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), along with Leandro Aragoncillo, an FBI intelligence analyst.

Special agents of the FBI arrested Aquino at his residence in Queens, New York, and Aragoncillo at his home in Woodbury, Gloucester County, in New Jersey, on Saturday.

The charge sheet said Aragoncillo passed on classified information about Filipino leaders to Aquino,

EXTRADITION/ A17



UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA : CRIMINAL COMPLAINT
v. : Magistrate No. 05-3096 (PS)
LEANDRO ARAGONCILLO, a/k/a "Juan Miguel"
-and-
MICHAEL RAY AQUINO, a/k/a "Ninoy"

I, the undersigned complainant, being duly sworn, state the following is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. On the dates set forth below, in Monmouth County, in the District of New Jersey and elsewhere, the defendants Leandro Aragoncillo, a/k/a "Juan Miguel," and Michael Ray Aquino, a/k/a "Ninoy," did:

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I further state that I am a Special Agent, and that this complaint is based on the following facts:

SEE ATTACHMENT B

continued on the attached page and made a part hereof.

Edward Finnegan, Special Agent
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, September 9, 2005, in the District of New Jersey

HONORABLE PATTY SHWARTZ
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

THIS is the complaint filed against Michael Ray Aquino and Leandro Aragoncillo. *(See Page A17 for first installment.)*

'STRONGER' PRESIDENT

## 'I arrived here in New York with the wind at my back'

By Gil Cabacungan Jr.

NEW YORK (VIA PLDT)—PRESIDENT Macapagal-Arroyo is much "stronger," albeit unpopular, after emerging from her darkest political period.

Ms Arroyo showed confidence at a meeting with foreign investors, her first since her political problems started coming to a boil three months ago with the surfacing of her wiretapped phone conversations with an election official allegedly concerning cheating in the 2004 polls.

"I arrived here in New York with the wind at my back after weeks and weeks of terrible political turmoil and terrible problems with oil... I believe I am politically stronger today than a month ago," the President yesterday said during a lunch meeting at the St. Regis Hotel, where she and her team are billeted.

She is scheduled to preside over a UN Security Council meeting today.

Malacañang officials refused to name those present at the power lunch, but said they were members of Ms Arroyo's international board of advisers (composed of CEOs of giant firms in banking, insurance and manufacturing) and officials of the US-Asean Business Council.

Ms Arroyo's confidence is a result of not only the House of Representatives' dismissal of three impeachment complaints against her but also the affirmation of the expanded value-added tax, which she described as the "cornerstone" of her "economic

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## Lawmakers want Gonzales in hot seat

By Philip C. Tubeza and Christine O. Avendaño

ADMINISTRATION LAWMAKERS in the House of Representatives yesterday said National Security Adviser Norberto Gonzales should explain his contract with a US law firm to seek funding for the planned Charter change, and said they would not prevent a formal investigation of the issue.

Militant lawmakers were quick to file House Resolution No. 945 calling for an inquiry into the contract with the Baltimore-based Venable LLP, and for it to be rescinded.

Anakpawis Rep. Rafael Mariano, one of the authors of the resolution, said the contract would "open the way for compromises that would result in a total sellout of the national patrimony."

House Majority Leader Prospero Nograles and Antique Rep. Exequiel Javier, vice chair of the committee on constitutional amendments, called on Gonzales to clarify details of the contract.

"Congress must look into these details. We won't stand in the way of an inquiry into the matter," Nograles said in a statement.

"This is shocking and contemptible, if it is true," said Cagayan de Oro Rep. Constantino Jaraula, chair of the House committee on constitutional amendments.

Executive Secretary Eduardo Ermita admitted to reporters that Malacañang had hired the services of an American lobby firm, and said Gonzales would explain what it was all about.

Ermita said that he was able to

LAWMAKERS/ A6

## Church urges probe of '04 polls

By Christian V. Esguerra

A DAY AFTER THE PHILIPPINE Catholic Church hierarchy declared that the search for truth must go on, its polling watchdog yesterday urged the Commission on Elections to investigate allegations that President Macapagal-Arroyo stole last year's presidential balloting.

"Our political turmoil needs closure," the Parish Pastoral Council for Responsible Voting (PPCRV) said in a statement. "We suggest that this proceeding be done (by the Comelec) in light of full public transparency by inviting its citizens' arm and other civil society groups to join its legal department in these investigations."

The group also proposed that Comelec's findings be placed under "full public scrutiny" within a definite timeframe.

An association of lay leaders and clerics, the PPCRV has been an accredited poll watcher since the 1992 election. The late Jaime Cardinal Sin was its honorary chair. During the May 2004 polling, the PPCRV fielded 400,000 watchers who worked alongside citizen volunteers of Namfrel, or the National Movement for Free Elections.

In June 2004, the PPCRV said it would pursue its investigation into alleged widespread disenfranchisement of voters despite the bishops' pronouncement that there had been no massive electoral fraud during the balloting.

On Tuesday, the permanent council of the Catholic Bishops Conference of the Philippines (CBCP) issued the prelates' first official reaction to the squashing in the House of Representatives on Sept. 6 of the impeachment complaints against Ms Arroyo over allegations she rigged the elections.

The 12-member council said that the search for truth within the rule of law must continue. It

CHURCH/ A18



EDWIN Aguilar, husband of the Filipino murder suspect in Singapore, sits with his sons at home in Tagudin, Ilocos Sur.

## Pinay slay suspect's moves caught on video

SINGAPORE—POLICE HAVE seized videotapes believed to have captured the movements of Filipino murder suspect Guen Garlejo Aguilar a few days before the gruesome slaying of her compatriot, Jane Parangan La Puebla, in Singapore.

The images were recorded on the closed-circuit television system at the SunGlade Condominium in Serangoon Avenue 2, where Aguilar, 29, allegedly killed La Puebla, 26.

The English-language daily Straits Times said police also interviewed Tuesday several taxi drivers in connection with the case.

Aguilar has been remanded for one week while the police Special Investigation Section continues its investigations.

The Philippines Overseas Labor Office in Singapore is attempting to repatriate the remains of La Puebla, but the forensic examinations are expected to take at least two weeks.

The Singapore police confirmed that the Philippine government would send its forensic pathologist here to witness the post-mortem.

La Puebla, mother of a 9-year-old son, is believed to have been killed some time after 10 a.m. last

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Second FRONTPAGE

# It's court-martial for Magdalo

## It's final, rules military court

By dona Pazzibugan

A COURT-MARTIAL ruled with finality yesterday that the 29 leaders of the July 27, 2003 Oakwood mutiny would continue to stand trial.

But shortly after it made the ruling, the military court was stumped on how to proceed.

CAPT. MILO Maestrecampo confers with co-accused Magdalo leaders.

ERAP PLUNDER TRIAL

## Defense stalling, prosecutors lament

## Defensor: Reconciliation won't touch Erap cases

## Dengue claims more lives

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## Garci not in Malaysia, either

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# The WORLD

Editor Luverne B. Gueco

## Over 150 killed in Baghdad blasts

BAGHDAD—A suicide bomber lured a crowd of Shiite day laborers to his minivan and blew it up in Baghdad on Wednesday, killing 114 people and wounding more than 156 in Iraq's second deadliest bombing since the war began.

A LOCAL resident views the damage at the site of a suicide car bomb attack on Sept. 14. A suicide bomber killed over 114 in a crowded Shiite district of Baghdad on Wednesday.



## UN Assembly approves weakened summit blueprint

## Bush takes blame for Katrina snafu

WASHINGTON—TWO WEEKS AFTER HURRICANE Katrina battered the US Gulf Coast, President George W. Bush took responsibility for the first time Tuesday for the widely criticized government response to the killer storm.

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## FAA warned about al-Qaida threat in 1998

WASHINGTON—AMERICAN AVIATION officials were warned as early as 1998 that al-Qaida could "seek to hijack a commercial jet and slam it into a US landmark," according to previously secret portions of a report prepared last year by the Sept. 11 commission.

### WORLDBRIEFS

**Fuel protests in Britain**

**Korean nuclear talks**

**US troops departure**

**London bomb suspect**



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# OPINION

## Great achievers

THE DEATH LAST TUESDAY OF HAYDEE YORAC, lawyer, activist, educator and public servant—a cause for national mourning—comes at a time when the women of our country are commemorating the centenary of the Feminist Movement, and the 68th anniversary of the formal promulgation of women's suffrage in the Philippines.

## Fire sale

VIEWPOINT — Juan L. Mercado

## 'Kulit'

THERE'S THE RUB — Conrado de Quiros



## Bishops refused to be stampeded

POLITICAL TIDBITS — Belinda Olivares-Cunanan

## First things first

YOUNG BLOOD — Paolo Raynor E. Salvosa

## Why isn't it tipping?

HUMAN FACE — Ma. Ceres P. Doyo

## Women fought for their own rights

THE LONG VIEW — Manuel L. Quezon III

TODAY MARKS 68 YEARS SINCE MANUEL L. Quezon signed the law recognizing women's suffrage. He welcomed it, but hadn't always felt that way.



## Wanted: men for our times

## Clarifications on 'untrained' journalists

## 'Sleeping' Supreme Court cases





# INQUIRER Southern Luzon

Editor Jun Bandayrel
Bureau Chief Floreño G. Solmirano

## Priest preaches 'bio-dynamic' farming

By Gil Francis Arevalo
Bacacay, Albay

FOR FR. EFREN "PAY Momoy" Borromeo, spiritual and communal healing should emanate from three very interconnected "S" principles—healing the soil, healing the soul, and healing the society.

PAY MOMOY during a healing session every Saturday at the monastery of the Society of Our Lady of the Most Holy Trinity in Barangay Bonga, Bacacay, Albay.





# Across the NATION

## Mayor confirms JI recruiting teens

COTABATO CITY—A TOWN MAYOR IN NORTH Cotabato has confirmed Wednesday that some out-of-school youths in Central Mindanao who have been displaced by previous skirmishes between the military and rebels were recruited to join the Jemaah Islamiyah (JI) in the province.

## 3 more doctors leaving Negros hospital for US

WIND POWER
Villagers walk past windmills that generate power. The windmills were built along the beach in Bangui, Ilocos Norte. The country, which buys nearly all its oil requirements, is turning to alternative energy and indigenous resources to cut its import bill.

### ROUNDUP

**More meningo deaths**

**First aid olympics**

**Laguna gang leader killed**

**Crab shells for polvoron**

**P. Garcia; 69**





## Aragoncillo served on the staff of Clinton, Cheney, Rice

By Norman Bordadora and Nelson F. Flores

LEANDRO ARAGONCILLO, AN intelligence analyst of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, gave US authorities a copy of the "Hello Garci" tapes weeks before Press Secretary Ignacio Bunye presented copies of the controversial recordings at a news conference in June, according to the opposition.

# Extradition for 3 execs in spy case, says DOJ

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who transmitted it to a "former national level public official," a "current high level public official," and a "second high level public official."

Without naming the three officials, Gonzalez said the government—bound as it is by the US-RP extradition treaty—would have no recourse but to turn over the three officials to US authorities.

He declined to name the three officials until after the indictment of Aquino and Aragoncillo.

## United States of America v. Leandro Aragoncillo and Michael Ray Aquino

*(The Inquirer is running the criminal complaint filed by the Federal Bureau of Investigation against Michael Ray Aquino, a former officer of the Philippine National Police, and Leandro Aragoncillo, an FBI intelligence analyst, who were arrested Saturday in the United States on espionage charges. PDI Research downloaded the 17-page complaint from the website of the US Department of Justice. The names of the three Philippine officials were deleted in the complaint posted on the website.)*

(To be continued tomorrow)



# Church urges probe of '04 polls

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# Fil-Am pedophile



# Striker shot dead at Caloocan picket

By Nancy C. Carvajal

A STRIKER WAS SHOT DEAD while four others were wounded when security guards of a packaging company in Caloocan City reportedly opened fire at them late Tuesday afternoon.

A CANDLE marks the spot where striker Dante Teotino fell after being shot by factory guards.

# Pasay, MMDA fight over intersection

THE METROPOLITAN MANILA DEVELOPMENT Authority (MMDA) and the Pasay City government may be headed for a collision course over the management of the traffic-choked Edsa-Taft Avenue intersection.

# Probe boosts lightning theory

# ABS-CBN makes pitch for Noli

ON TARGET — Ramon Tulfo

# Deadly fall

# Homeless in Malabon

# MetroBriefs

# Haribon forum

# Baby slain in rob

SHE WAS CARRYING her baby on her lap when four armed robbers on board two motorcycles blocked their car and opened fire.



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# Eagles seek revenge vs Archers

NO LESS THAN THE TWICE-TO-BEAT bonus will be on the side when Ateneo tries to get back at defending champion La Salle today in the UAAP basketball tournament at the Araneta Coliseum.

TENORIO: Key player

# Pacquiao arriving with GMA

MANNY PACQUIAO WILL HAVE NO LESS than President Macapagal-Arroyo as a distinguished companion when he arrives to a "champion's welcome" from the United States this Saturday.

# Goin' bananas





# Cagayan de Oro routs Zanorte, gains quarterfinals

# Cabagnot hooks up with Realtors

By June Navarro

STA. LUCIA REALTY PUT A LID on the Alex Cabagnot episode by signing the second overall pick Monday to a three-year contract worth P8.5 million after a month of wheeling and dealing.

## Sportswatch

Masters, X-Games on ABC; Gymkhana Grand Prix; Luzon taekwondo tilt; 8-Stag finals today; Submission of weights

# Public works to repair RMSC badminton hall

BOOM BOOM'S BACK: Rey Bautista strikes up a fighting pose upon his arrival yesterday. Bautista knocked out Colombian bantamweight Felix Flores Murillo Sunday.

# Possible RP slot for Elma

By Musong R. Castillo

# Alvarez leads cadet expert class

# Pointers for Pacquiao

SPECTATOR — Al S. Mendoza





# Mikola's chasers gear up for one last push in AF3

STOP ANANDA MIKOLA AT ALL COSTS. This will be the battle cry when the Asian Formula Three Series visits Indonesia anew for rounds 9 and 10 at the Sentul International Circuit this weekend (Sept. 17-18).

# Pastor and Coseteng rule PNTCC opener

# Morales tops car, motor races

RENAN Morales (front) paces the BRC field as it rounds a corner.





# Jolens on love: 'Don't hold back'

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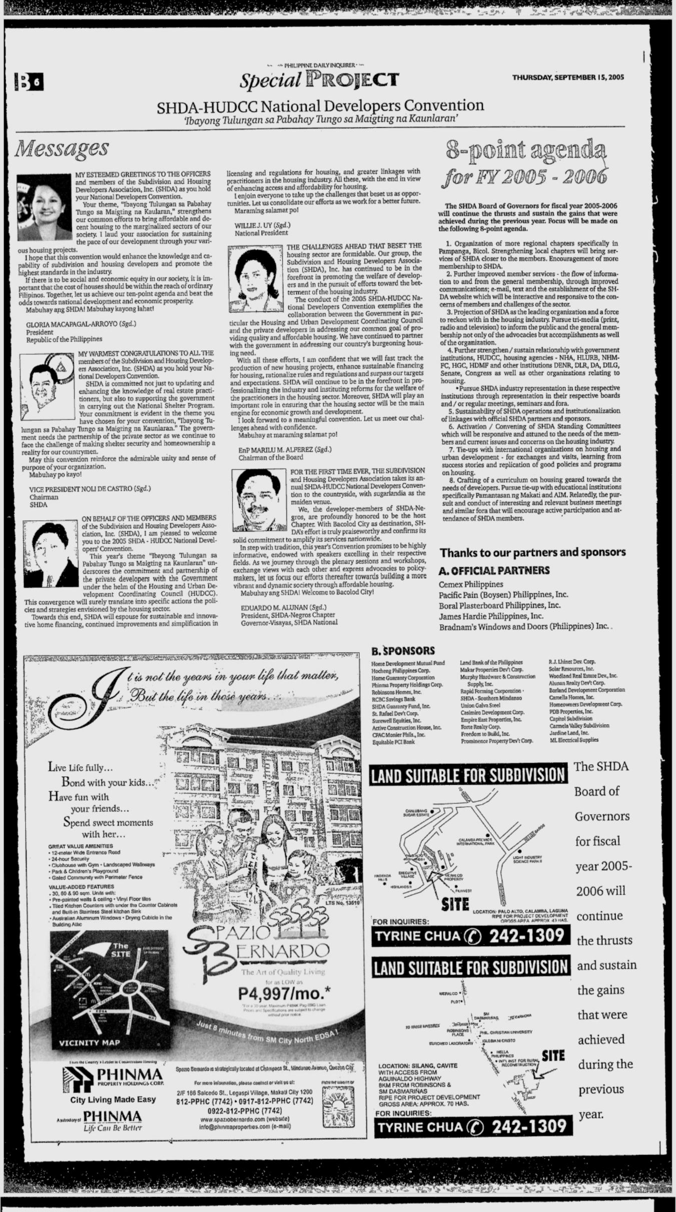
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# SHDA accomplishment report

By EnP Marilu M. Alferez
National President
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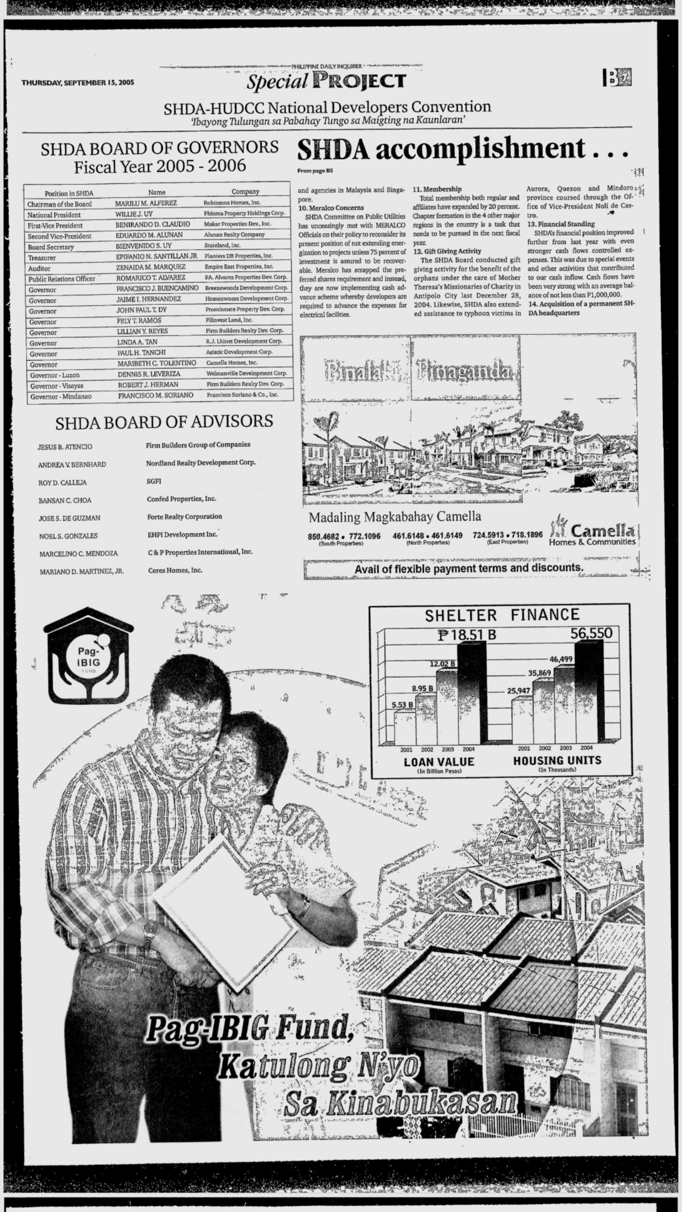
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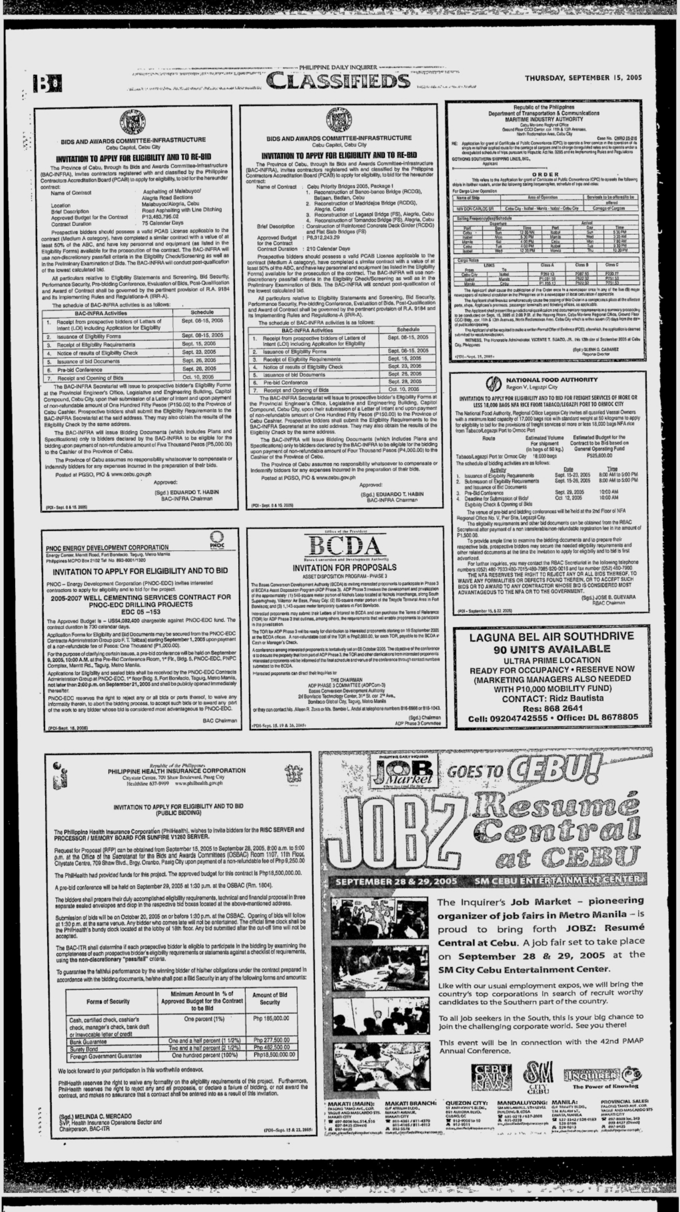
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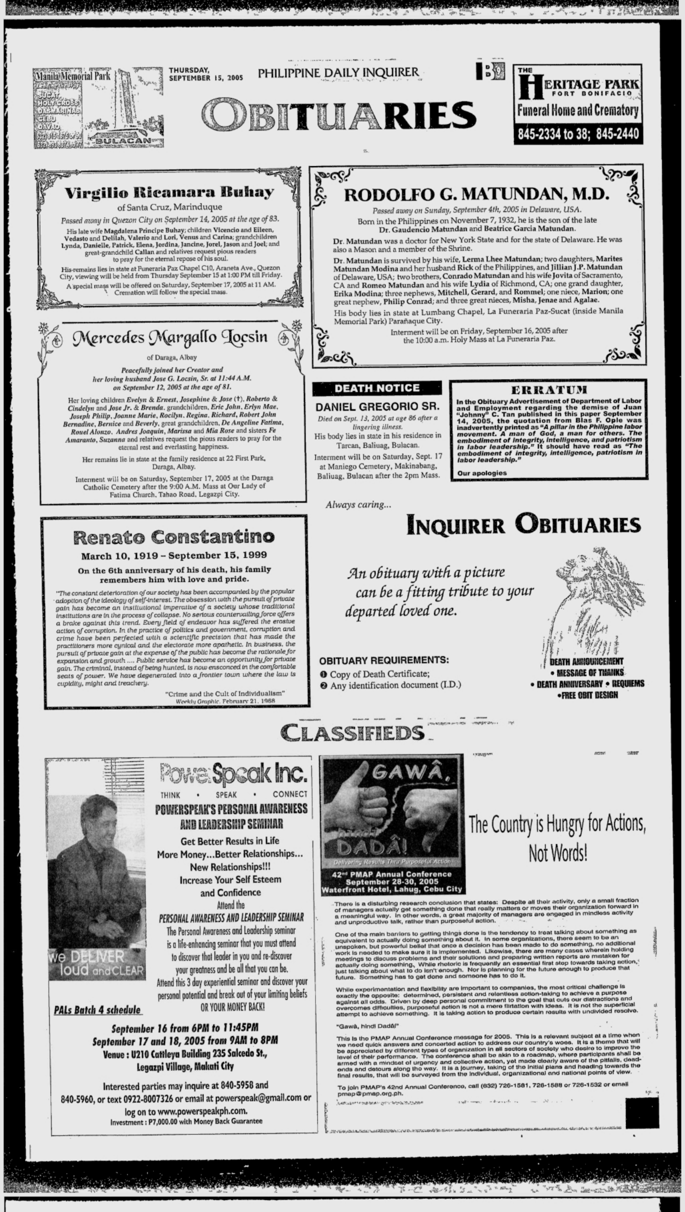
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# SEC files criminal charges against CAP

By Elizabeth L. Sanchez

THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE Commission yesterday filed criminal charges against College Assurance Plan Philippines Inc. allegedly for engaging in the unauthorized sale of education plans.

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Windmills along the coastline of Bangui, Ilocos Norte generate enough power to satisfy the requirements of Northern Luzon. The Philippines, which buys nearly all its fuel requirements abroad, is turning to alternative energy and indigenous resources to cut its import bill amid record oil prices. REUTERS

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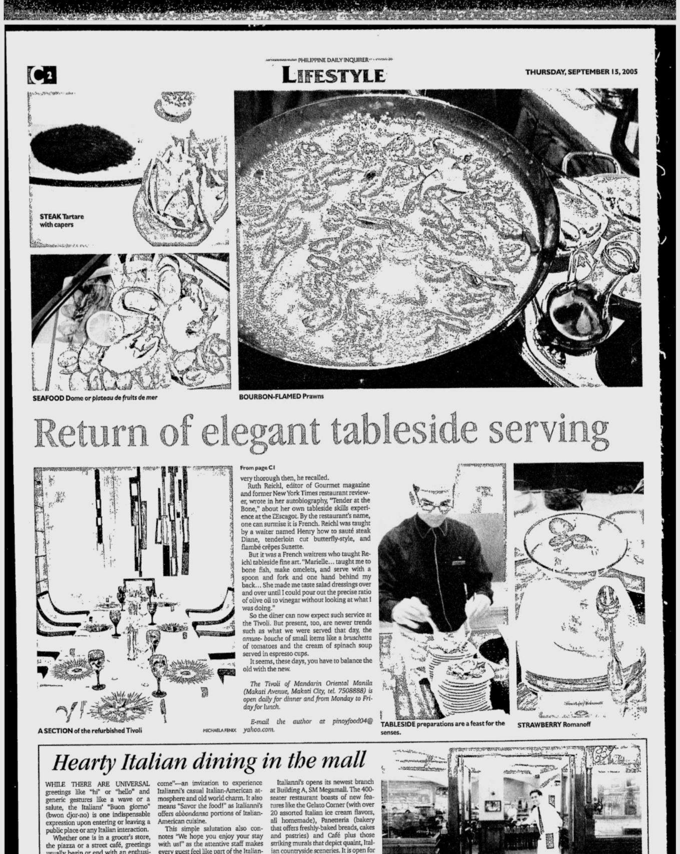
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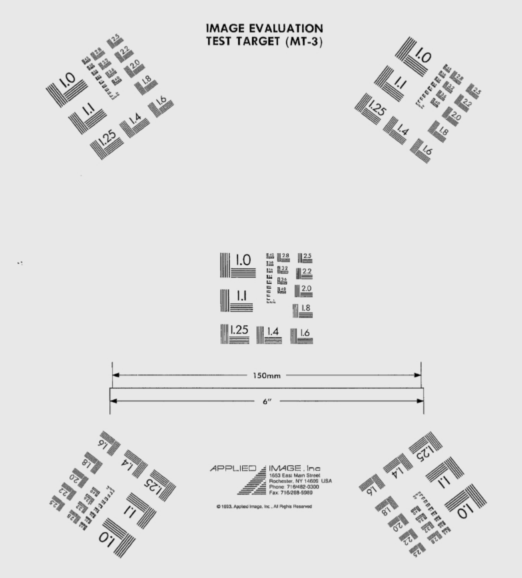


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